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Dear Sir:

The following documents and fees are submitted herewith in connection with the above application for the purpose of entering the National stage under 35 U.S.C. §371 and in accordance with the Patent Cooperation Treaty:

- ☒ a copy of the executed Declaration and Power of Attorney. Also enclosed is a copy of a Notification of the Recording of a Change (correction of the names of the two inventors) (Form PCT/IB/306).
- ☒ an English translation of the International Application. Also enclosed is a copy of the first page of WO 2004/011545 A1.
- ☒ a copy of Notification Concerning Submission or Transmittal of Priority Document (Form PCT/IB/304).
- ☐ 0 sheet(s) of drawings.
- ☐ an English translation of Article 19 claim amendments.
- ☐ an English translation of Article 34 amendments (annexes to the IPER).
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- ☒ a PTO/SB/08 A & B (modified) listing the ISR/IPER references. Also enclosed is a copy of the International Search Report (PCT/ISA/210).
- ☒ a copy of each reference cited in the ISR/IPER.
- ☒ a Preliminary Amendment.
- ☒ **It is expressly requested that the national stage of processing be commenced immediately in accordance with 35 U.S.C. § 371(f).**



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A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER

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B. FIELDS SEARCHED

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Electronic data base consulted during the international search (name of data base and, where practicable, search terms used)

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C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

Category*	Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No.
A	JP 2000-129037 A (Bridgestone Corp.), 09 May, 2000 (09.05.00), Claims (Family: none)	1-8
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